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## Island Solta

One of the most beautiful islands of the Croatian Adriatic, the island of Solta is situated in the central-Dalmatian archipelago, in the vicinity of the islands of Brac and Hvar.

Solta is 16 kilometers off the shore of Split, and one can get there easily by ferryboat (which take 60 minutes), or by catamaran (which takes only 30 minutes).

The biggest riches of Solta are its virginal nature. It is famous for its beautiful beaches, bays, little islands, shores, olive and fig trees, various fish, and the aromatic and medicinal herbs that fill the island with the distinctive smell of the Mediterranean. The sea around the island offers ideal conditions for diving, fishing, and sailing.

Solta is also famous for its rural architecture. There are more than 200 historical finds on the island, some of them dating back to the New Stone Age. There are prehistorical piles, Roman mosaics and sarcophagus, early Christian edifices, and rural fortified court-yards.

On the north-east coast there lie the extensive bays of Necujam and Rogac &ndash; the main port. Other important places on the island are the fishing villages of Maslenica and Stomorska, Tatinja bay, and the villages Donje Selo, Srednje Selo and Gornje Selo. Grohote is the main city, and the economic and cultural center of the island.